## **Grounds & Lawn Care**

The information below provides suggested language on how Grounds & Lawn Care Services can be considered green. The Special Item Numbers (SINs) are listed in numerical order.

## 371 001 - Grounds Maintenance/Cemetery Maintenance

Well maintained grounds which include trees, shrubs, turf and flowering plants minimize soil erosion, mitigate storm water sediments, trap carbon dioxide and other pollutants, act as energy saving natural air conditioners, recharge groundwater, provide spaces for healthy recreation and are esthetically pleasing. The 03FAC schedule has industry partners that can ensure your grounds are properly maintained to realize these many benefits. The Schedule offers companies that operate with optimal efficiencies, recycle waste products and utilize environmentally friendly products in the accomplishment of grounds maintenance. Our vendors are focused on protecting and enhancing the environment, and providing you the best sustainable service available at a reasonable cost.

• Cemetery Maintenance - The appearance of our national cemeteries is an integral asset to the memorials and reverence of our properties. The schedule offers contractors who are conscientious of these qualities and will protect the environment while providing the exemplary service expected by our families and visitors. Our contractors recycle waste products and use only the most effective environmentally friendly products in order to provide a sustained and naturally picturesque landscape.

## 371 002 - Tree Planting/Trimming/Removal

Trees play an integral role in reducing carbon dioxide and promoting good air quality. Well maintained trees live longer and promote the esthetic value of facilities. The 03FAC schedule has industry partners that can provide the expertise to ensure your trees are maintained to sustain their longevity and esthetic value. The Schedule offers companies that operate with optimal efficiencies, recycle waste products and utilize environmentally friendly products in the accomplishment of maintaining or removing your tree(s). Our vendors are focused on protecting and enhancing the environment, and providing you the best sustainable service available at a reasonable cost.

## 371 003 - Pest Control

To assure the highest standards of indoor air quality and environmentally sound pest management practices in federal facilities, industry partners under 371 003 are to provide

Integrated Pest Management (IPM) that complies with the treatment standards and protocols of NPMA GreenPro, GreenShield, or EcoWise IPM programs. Industry partners utilize low environmental impact materials and methods for the betterment of your health and to reduce the impact on the environment by providing "least toxic" pest control to remove pests in the safest form possible.